# Southern St. Louis County LAC

## Meeting Minutes

(02/15/2024)

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| *Present:* | *\*- Facilitator \*\*- Guest* |
| *In Person:* | Jessica Johnson\*  David Schreyer\*  Brian Teskey  Ashley Preston  Natalie Listemaa  Cynthia Seguin |
| *Virtual:* | Nicole Johnson  Letisha Rice  Jessica  Sonja Wildwood |

1. **Welcome and check-in**
2. **Survey and Gift Cards**

* Previous committee focus was a survey created to understand and identify barriers regarding access to care when needed; this was incentivized by $10 gift cards to Super One in the past, there was a limited amount of these, not everyone had them.
* Essentia Health gave a “Community Care Grant” before – Jessica J. followed up on this, but the scope is going to be narrowed our scope of grants – economic stability, access to “right time, right place access to healthcare,” education for health/safety in communities.
  + Jessica will also follow up to see if our survey will still fall under “Access to right time/right place healthcare”?
  + Brian mentioned that group homes may be a good way to get more interaction with the community/get additional information, same with FASD meetings organized by Ordean bldg.
* If Essentia grant does not work out, what else?
  + Large Franchises (McDonalds, Kwik Trip etc.)?
  + Super One?
  + 1-day DTA bus pass?
  + Partner with Insure Duluth to dovetail with need for Insurance?
  + Utilize local stakeholders – whoever is interested in the info we’d be gathering; could possibly help with grants? (HDC, Nystrom, CADT, CHUM, etc.)
  + Engage with schools – maybe local PTAs would be an option; attempt to engage the schools.
* May need to find ways to provide more access?
  + How do people access this in the past?
  + Damiano, CHUM, Public Library, FDL Social Services, Local Urban Offices, rural schools?
  + Who is willing to go out and attend different events?
* We would like to review the revamped survey – we may need to contact Rochelle (previous member) to get additional information.
  + Content of the survey may still be on the SLC LAC website – not results.
  + Survey had several respondents in parents to try to capture more information; perhaps preteens/teens could be included/offered as well?

1. **Annual Report- June 2024**

* This is important as this is an election year!
* We’re looking to hit more demographics (there was a lot of discussion in survey, please review that)
* David will be doing the number crunching, etc for the Annual Report.
* *Otherwise tabled for this meeting – review the results on the Google Drive for discussion next meeting in March 2024.*

1. **Subcommittees**

* Community Engagement/Survey Committee – will need to review and possibly tweak this; **Please join if you have capacity!** 
  + Timeline – the report needs to be in by the end of June 2024; Have finished for vetting in March 2024 with the intent of latest release date of 05/2024.
  + Maybe review other ways (such as Census) to get demographic information.
  + QR code for the survey; Find a printing sponsor – we could use that to make postcards, etc. to mail out – or ask more of SLC?

1. **Mental Health Day on the Hill**

* There are some people who can still go/travel but will not be able to meet with legislators if you did not get involved immediately.
* March 7. 2024 – you can go to the State House whether or not you go with the larger group.
  + Several legislators are up for re-election locally – could be a good time to engage to advocate for our community.

1. **Check-out and action items for next meeting**

**Action Items:**

Follow up with Gena/Chris about 2nd verification ID for the LAC e-mail.

Sonja will follow up to find the previous survey to review/revamp for 2024.

Find out what the line between North and South SLC is to see who else we can utilize.

Community Engagement Subcommittee – needs to meet and start working on this!

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:25 pm**

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| **Next meeting:** | **March 21st, 2024 5pm-6:30pm** |